February 11, 2009

## **United States Bankruptcy Court**

Southern District Of New York

In re

DELPHI CORPORATION, et al.,

: Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)

Debtors.

: Chapter 11

: (Jointly Administered)

Address: Delphi Corporation

5725 Delphi

Drive, Troy, Michigan 48098

NOTICE OF OBJECTION BY RICHARD J. RATERMAN, CURRENT DEBTOR RETIREE TO "MOTION FOR ORDER UNDER 11 U.S.C. §§ 105, 363(b)(1), AND 1108 CONFIRMING DEBTORS' AUTHORITY TO TERMINATE EMPLOYER-PAID POST RETIREMENT HEALTH CARE BENEFITS AND EMPLOYER-PAID POST-RETIREMENT LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN (A) SALARIED EMPLOYEES AND (B) RETIREES AND THEIR SURVIVING SPOUSES ("SALARIED OPEB TERMINATION MOTION")", Document #14705 filed February 4, 2009 and delivered to Richard J. Raterman on February 5, 2009.

United States Bankruptcy Court One Bowling Green New York, NY 10004

Attn: Honorable Judge Robert D. Drain

Dear Judge Drain:

This letter is to express my concerns with Document #14705 filed by Delphi Corporation on February 4, 2009 asking the court to cancel health insurance benefits (OPEB) for over 15,000 people who are retirees of Delphi Corporation.

Please note that this letter is an **OBJECTION** to that document and file it as a motion to object to document #14705.

This document was filed with no previous warning to any of the current employees and retirees of Delphi Corporation and was only made known to us via letter on February 5, 2009 and gave us a mere twelve days to file our objections. Many of the most recent retirees of Delphi were retired **BY** the company and **NOT** by the choice of the employee. They were given no decision to make, just told they would be retiring on a specific date. They had little time to prepare for retirement, and little time to adjust to a significantly reduced income before they were hit with

this latest development (loss of health care) which will cause financial hardship for every retiree. It will have huge impacts not only on the retirees and soon-to-retire, but also every community where retirees live.

With the current state of the economy, retirees who had saved for retirement in their Stock Savings Plans, have lost 40-60% of their savings. As you know, the cost of living has increased significantly in the last two years based upon rising energy costs alone. This coupled with the loss of health care benefits would have a crippling effect on the lives of every retiree of Delphi Corporation.

It is my belief that there are other ways to restructure the company and still retain health care for retirees. Health care benefits are currently scheduled to stop at the age of 65 for all retirees. This cost is a decreasing cost to the company as each of us reaches that 65 age milestone.

I have attached a letter (ATTACHMENT A) from James Frost, a fellow Delphi retiree, (that has been sent to your office) for reference and also to express my objection by support of Items 1-6 as presented by Mr. Frost.

For your consideration and in view of all the extenuating circumstances regarding the proposal for return of certain Delphi divisions to GM (in particular the vehicle HVAC compressor manufacture from which I retired), I submit that the termination date be extended until further notice.

On page 17 of the Motion for Order, the debtors seek relief. I suggest for your consideration that if this motion is approved and the benefits are cancelled as described on March 31, that we retirees are provided budgetary relief as well with the right to terminate any and all vehicle purchase agreements and /or leases on or after that same date with General Motors without any penalty and further commitment.

For your consideration, I believe that the debtors in this same motion be required to provide a plan to reinstate these same benefits if and when the debtors return to an ascending profitability position as it meets/exceeds the current benefit cessation point.

Please know that each of the 15,000 + retirees and soon-to-retire, who will be negatively impacted by this action, will be looking to you for your consideration when making the decision concerning Document #14705 dated February 4, 2009.

I ask you to REJECT this motion.

Sincerely yours,

Richard J. Raterman (25.5 Yrs w/GM; 5 yrs w/Delphi)

209 Oakview Dr. Kettering, Ohio 45429

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## ATTACHMENT A United States Bankruptcy Court

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I, James R. Frost, have filed written papers with the court to object to said motion prior to the date in the motion of February 17, 2009 at 4:00PM and per all requirements stated. I, James R. Frost, would like the court to consider my views on the motion and consider this as an objection to the motion. My views and objections for consideration:

- 1. I <u>object</u> to the debtors <u>February 17, 2009 date</u> set for objections to be submitted. Basis: From the date of receipt of the motion (February 5, 2009) with NO prior knowledge, that leaves 6 working days to develop and submit an objection (Presidents day is February 16, 2009). That is insufficient time to research and form a well refined objection.
- 2. I <u>object</u> to the debtors <u>selection of termination</u> of the post-retirement health and life insurance benefits (referred in the motion as "Salaried OPEB") as the only option. Basis: Other options were defined in the benefits while employed, and when retired. Namely amend or modify.
- 3. I <u>object</u> to the debtors <u>termination of Salaried OPEB for current retirees</u> who were forced to retire or chose to retire based on personal financial situations and plans that included debtor commitments at the time of retirement. Basis: The debtor chose to retire people for short term cost savings with a commitment to retirement payment, health care and insurance. The proposed medical and insurance benefits in retirement table, page 22 and 23 in the motion, are not what were offered when forced retirement and retirement decisions were made. At this time, the group being harmed financially is not represented by anyone in the bankruptcy proceedings that can determine whether or not this is reasonable or necessary for emergence from bankruptcy.
- 4. I <u>object</u> to a <u>March 31, 2009 termination date</u>. Basis: This is not enough time under the current economic conditions for current retirees to accumulate the funds to accommodate this extra financial burden.
- 5. I <u>object</u> to the debtors <u>claim</u>, <u>page 24 in the motion</u>, <u>that section 1114(d) of the Bankruptcy Code is inapplicable</u>. Basis: Salaried retirees are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement and this is not a welfare plan as noted in the motion. I would accept the responsibility to manage an 1114(d) committee. The debtor was provided OPEB funds by GM when it was spun off in 1998 to cover those salaried employees with GM service. I had 26 years of GM service and 5 years of service with the debtor. Furthermore, during those 5 years additional funds were added to the OPEB funds which should be available to an 1114(d) committee. The debtor needs to provide transparency to the GM commitment and funded OPEB, especially

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to those who worked for GM and were not given a choice as to whether they stayed with GM or were moved to Delphi. Also, at this time, the group of retirees is not represented by anyone to refute or agree with Delphi's claims in the motion that "Because the Debtor's right to terminate Salaried OPEB is preserved in the respective plan documents, as discussed in greater detail below, no relief under section 1114 of the Bankruptcy Code is required" among other claims. (See paragraph 45 of "SALARIED OPEB TERMINATION MOTION" on page 24.) I do not believe the legislation was intended to exclude a creditor group from representation during bankruptcy proceedings. In addition, GM and Delphi are currently discussing GM purchasing back Delphi locations as Ford did with Visteon years ago. GM should have done this when they had cash.

- 6. In addition to the above objections, I hereby submit the following motions:
  - a. That pursuant to section 1114(d) of the Bankruptcy code, the court order the appointment of a committee of retired employees to serve as the authorized representative of the retirees.
  - b. That the "SALARIED OPEB TERMINATION MOTION" be adjourned until such time as the above appointed committee can meet with the debtors and determine whether the "SALARIED OPEB TERMINATION MOTION" is reasonable and/or necessary for emergence from bankruptcy.

Per the instructions in the referenced motion, this written NOTICE OF OBJECTION BY JAMES R. FROST,

- 1. Is being filed with the bankruptcy court as a PDF on a 3.5 inch disk
- Is being submitted as a hard copy directly to the Honorable Robert D. Drain at:
   United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York
   One Bowling Green
   Room 610
   New York, New York 10004
- 3. and copies mailed to:
  Delphi Corporation
  5725 Delphi Drive
  Troy, Michigan 48098
  (Attn: General Counsel)

and others as required.

Honorable Robert D. Drain, thank you for the opportunity to share my views and raise my objections to this swift motion by the debtor. The debtor needs our help and we can help, as we did for many years as employees. My objections are intended to raise a point of view of the people (United States Citizens) personally affected by this motion in the context of very difficult financial times for not only the debtor but for 15,000 retirees. I would be willing and able to attend a hearing if necessary.

Date:	Signature:
	Name: James R. Frost
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	East Amherst NY 14051